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Youth Task Force Formed

Drop-Out Rate Going Up

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(WILLIAM WADE)

(MAYOR JOHNSTON)

We have found as a result of surveys, statistical reports and conversations that the drop-out rate among disadvantaged youth continues to rise and; therefore, unemployment among disadvantaged youth continues to rise.

In our metropolitan area, several industrious groups are involved in planning and developing the youth program. In too many instances, these groups operate independently of each other to the detriment of youth. Coordination and cooperation so essential to successful programming, are lacking either because of duplication of processes or oversight. NAB is attempting to give uniformity to the Tacoma Metro's youth employment programs with a unified summer jobs program.

On Friday, January 14, 1972, the Youth Director of the National Alliance of Businessmen held the first task force meeting. Mayor Gordon Johnston was one of the many concerned people participating in this first meeting as well as Mr. William Wade, Tacoma Metro Director of NAB.

The task force will attempt to alter the ever increasing number of high school dropouts and to show youth through "living models" how they might aspire to jobs in business and industry.

Miss Sylvia Johnson, NAB's Youth Director, has expressed a need for unification among the various youth agencies in the Tacoma area to combat the unemployment drop out rates. Miss Johnson says that a united effort among youth agencies would provide more jobs for more youth.

NAB believes that youth should have some input into programs that will affect their lives. The success of the program for youth can be in part predictable by having youth participate in planning and implementation.

Chance To Back A Brother Kick Off

The University of Puget Sound will kick off its second annual "CHANCE to Back A Brother" scholarship campaign with the "world's largest garage sale in the world's largest garage" --- the UPS Fieldhouse --- on Sunday, February 13, from 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m.

Manpower for the garage sale will be provided by the Tacoma Jaycees, and individuals interested in contributing or selling merchandise may contact the "CHANCE to Back A Brother" office at UPS.

Admission for the general public is $1. Proceeds from the event will provide scholarships for students from low-income families in the Greater Tacoma area through the UPS "CHANCE" program.

NOTICE

Moses Bobo, instructional assistant of the Ethnic Cultural Center at Fort Steilacoom Community College, has scheduled two films for Monday (Feb. 7) at noon in the J Building (J-1).

The titles of the films are "Listen Whitey," and "Free at Last." "Listen Whitey" will try to show what causes Blacks to become violent for a cause in any given situation," says Bobo.

'Free at Last' is a narration about Martin Luther King, his movement and his speeches in an effort to free Black people.

The program is free and open to the public.

Health Programs

Clyde Gardner returned from his trip in Washington, D.C., where he attended the National Free Clinic Symposium. He met with Senators Jackson, Magnuson, Kennedy and Congressman Hicks; discussing the drug abuse program in the Puget Sound Region. He also met with members of the National Institute of Mental Health, discussing current problems in drug abuse.

Currently, our new Administrative Assistant, Rodney Amend, is working closely with Mr. Gardner, putting together information and resources for the "The Great Northwest Symposium" to be held March 15, 16, and 17, in Tacoma. Keynote speakers have been invited to speak on various subjects which includes: Coordination of Programs, Treatment and Rehabilitation, Methadone Maintenance Programs, Law Enforcement, Legal and Social Policy, Patterns of drug abuse, Drug Industry's Responsibility, Armed Forces Programs, and Crisis Intervention. Many films and discussions will supplement the program. Keynote speakers both nationally and regionally are: Mr. David E. Smith, M. D. Medical Director, Haight Ashbury Medical Clinic; Mr. James Oss, Drug Coordinator, Hoffman-LaRoche Pharmaceutical Co.; Mr. Al Weese, Director, Human Relations Commission; and the Honorable Warren G. Magnuson, United States Senator; and many others of equal prominence.

In our Family Planning Department we have added three new staff: Miss Jane Bogel Family Planning Coordinator, Mrs. Barbara McChanahan, and Mrs. Shirley Paine, Outreach workers. Their jobs will be to inform low-income residents in Tacoma of the availability of family planning (Birth Control Services), in the area. They have stated a diet club at the Pacific Avenue Office, Monday mornings at 11:00 a.m., for further information, please contact Georgia Helms, 4601 Pacific Avenue, GR 5-4588 or GR 4-6675.

The Administrative Staff of the Tacoma Pierce County Narcotics Center are: Clyde E. Gardner, Director holds a Bachelor of Arts and Master of Science degrees in Health Services from San Francisco State College and the University of California.

Mr. Rodney Amend, Administrative Assistant holds a degree in English from Western Washington State College and has done graduate work at Eastern State College. He also has taught English at Auburn Junior High School.

Executive Secretary, Cathryn Williams completes the staff of the Tacoma-Pierce County Narcotics Center, Miss Williams is presently attending Tacoma Community College in which she hopes to obtain her doctorate in Business Administration and Political Science.

Open House At Model Cities Senior Citizen Center

Model Cities Senior Citizen Center will hold open house on Friday, February 11 starting at 10:00 a.m. All Pierce County senior citizen centers have been invited to attend. The day's activities will include entertainment, a modest lunch and a display of the articles made by Model Cities seniors in their arts and crafts classes. Seniors from the Center will serve as hostesses.

The Model Cities Senior Citizen Center, located at 2316 South Yakima, is the newest one of its kind in Pierce County and one of the most modern and attractive. The two-story building is less than two years old. The upper floor, on which the senior center is located, has a beautiful library, a stage and a large modern kitchen. The main auditorium has eight large windows from which there is a panoramic view of down town Tacoma, the Tide Flats, Interstate Highway 5 and Mount Rainier.

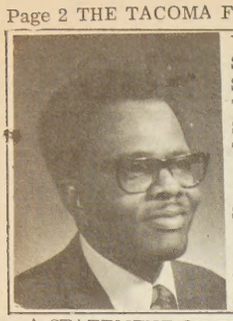
The Center was opened on May 15, 1971. On November 30, 1971 the Tacoma City Association of Colored Women Clubs, Inc. signed a contract with the City of Tacoma (Model Cities) to operate the Center. In the six months between May and November the Center was open two days a week with the City Association defraying all expenses for its operation.

On December 1, 1971, it went on a five-day schedule, Monday through Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Transportation to and from the Center is provided by Model Cities mini buses.

The Center offers a wide variety of entertainment, services and activities, in addition to one hot meal each day. One of the most popular activities is the Thursday arts and crafts classes with Mrs. Francis Meskimen as instructor. The items made range from simple floral designs and picture frams to molded plaques and unusual candle holders. Except for the plaques, all of the articles are made from "throwaways," such as detergent containers, cans, bottles and other discarded items.

The Model Cities Senior Citizen Center is primarily for Model Cities area residents, but according to Mrs. Bertie Edwards, Director, this does not preclude other seniors from attending if the facilities permit.

The Model Cities Senior Citizen program is best described by a little old lady. She said, "This is the best thing that has happened in this area. I was sitting at home rotting away until some one told me about this place. I came one day through curiosity and have been coming ever since. I wouldn't miss it for the world."



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A STATEMENT ON THE PRESIDENT'S STATE OF THE UNION ADDRESS BY REP. AUGUSTUS F. HAWKINS, VICE CHAIRMAN CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS

The Congressional Black Caucus views the State of the Union Address delivered to the Congress on Thursday by President Richard Nixon as a recapitulation of his same old unsuccessful programs while placing the blame on Congress for not passing his proposals.

The President said that he had presented "90 proposals" that still needed real action by Congress, but completely overlooked and refused to even mention any of more than 60 proposals presented to him by the Congressional Black Caucus.

The entire message, in our view, was evangelistic meandering with nothing encouraging or helpful for the situation of Black people in the United States. The issue of civil rights, for instance, was virtually omitted.

The glowing peace phrases uttered by the President were contradictory with the war mongering suggestions of increased spending for defense. Comparing the 1960's with 1970's and comparing the defense budgets over spending for human resources over the last two decades were not sufficient documentation for his projections for 1972 nor for his boasting of past accomplishments. The Congressional Black Caucus can find nothing within the Nixon Administration that indicates any significant or meaningful action toward improving conditions for Black and poor people, and indeed all Americans.

Mr. Nixon seemed to be taking full credit for the "peaceful communities." He forget to mention Wilmington, North Carolina, and Baton Rouge, Louisiana. He was not specific in any way on what he has done or what he proposes to do for such communities.

The President's strongest statement was on schools, but again, his promise was too vague for us to take seriously his words on what his Administration proposes to do or what it has done. It appears that he is advocating a regressive national sales tax to be proposed later in the year. This is a tax that would take from the poor a disproportionate share of their already meager income. This appears to be the net course of this Administration's action, which undermines the living standards of the poor in order to fight his so-called anti-inflation war.

The Congressional Black Caucus did not hear anything which would indicate that this Administration desires to achieve full employment in a peace-time economy. The President failed to note the plight of the 10.7 percent Black unemployment which is increasing at a rate faster than the national average of 6.1 percent. Black unemployment looms as high as 40% in places such as Gary, Indiana. There is no comprehensive job-producing program now pending in Congress which will lead to full employment. Consequently, the Congressional Black Caucus seeks the support of all Members of Congress for a full employment measure that the Caucus will introduce shortly.

Full employment references by President Nixon were political "carrots" and intended vote-getters. The programs mentioned in his address as a means of achieving full employment were anticipatory, without an foundation in fact. It would take several years, if even the, for them to pay off and to positively affect the national unemployment rate, to say nothing of the unemployment of Black people. Further what he said the Administration planned to do about jobs would not have the direct results of producing jobs, but if any jobs were to develop out of his programs they would be only by-products and not designed to alleviate the plight of working Americans. Therefore, the Congressional Black Caucus plans to introduce this very much needed legislation.

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MENTAL DIET

EVANGELIST CHARLES WALLER HOLGATE STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

THE GREATEST DEED

Someone asked Lyman Beecher: "What do you count the greatest thing a human being can do? He replied: "The greatest thing is for one human being to bring another human being to Christ Jesus, the Saviour."

The bringing of a soul to Christ is the highest achievement possible to a human life. Prov. 11:30. Here is how you proceed to select souls.

SELECT IT:
Choose the soul that you will seek to win. John 1:38-41.

LOVE IT:
Love the soul that you are trying to save. Ignorant criticism and foolish nagging do not save souls.

TEACH IT:
No man can become a christian until he knows what Christ requires of him. Then turn to the book of Acts and show from the conversions how one may become a Christian.

PERSUADE IT:
The best way to persuade a soul to come to Christ is with love, kindness and kind words. Your encouragement may be all that is necessary to lead that soul to Christ.

BLESS IT:
Pray earnestly that the soul that you are seeking to win may be saved. Ask God to help you say the right thing and in the right manner. Remember that prayer might be the one thing necessary to remove the last barrier.

BRING IT:
Bring the soul you seek to win to all and every service if possible. And remember, no soul will be won if no effort is made.

DO YOU CONSIDER YOURSELF FAITHFUL?

1. Is a car that starts once out of seven times "faithful?"
2. Is a refrigerator that quits for a day now and then "faithful?"
3. Is your paper boy "faithful" if he misses you with your paper every few mornings?
4. If you fail to come to work two or three days each week, would you be "faithful" to your job?
5. If your hot water heater greeted you with cold water one or two mornings a week, would it be "faithful" and dependable?
6. Now, if you failed to come to the various classes sponsored by the congregation only once and a while, would you consider yourself "faithful?"
7. If you half-sing when you come to worship, would you call that "faithful" singing?
8. If you go to sleep when the preacher is preaching, do you think that you are "faithful" in the worship?
9. Can't pray, never will learn, never will try, are you "faithful?"
10. Do you ever half-commune? That is have your mind on something other than the body and blood of the Lord when you eat and drink? Would you be "faithful" doing such?
11. Are you "faithful" to God when you lie about your money, and keep your percentage and God's percentage?
12. When you grade yourself, are you "faithful," by talling the truth or "unfaithful" by telling yourself and your God "falsehoods?"

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The greatest mistake ..... Giving-Up.
The most expensive indulgence ..... Prejudice.
The most dangerous person ..... Liar.
The cheapest, stupidest, and easiest thing to do ..... Finding fault.
The most silliest thing ..... Race Hatre.
The biggest fool ..... Church gossiper.

When you grade yourself, are you "faithful" by telling the truth or are you "unfaithful" by telling yourself and your God falsehoods?

HE DID

A man rocked a boat to see if it would tip ..... It did.
A man looked into a gun to see if it was loaded ..... It was.
A young girl kept late hours to see if it would really affect her office work .... It did.
A young man tried drinking to see if it would make him behave like a fool ..... It did.
A man said "I'll ignore Jesus Christ and see if I go to Hell" ..... and he did.

A PRAYER FOR OUR ELDERS

Our Father, let me be a pillar of strength to them, not a thorn to sap strength, nor a burden on their backs to pull them down. Let me support them without striving to possess them. Lift up their hands without placing shackles on them. Give them my help, that they may devote more time to saving others and less time to gratifying my vanity.

Let me work and not compel them to spend precious time bragging on me. Let me be unselfish in what I do for them, not selfish and demanding they do more for me. Help me serve the church, and be happy that they need serve me less. Help me to be as good a member as I expect them to be good elders. Help me appraise them with love ... for I never walked in their shoes. Help me be a Christian at all times that their work may be easier for them and that I may be closer to Thee, in Jesus' name.

***** "Worrying about something before it happens is too early, and worrying about something after it happens it too late!!"

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Pineapple	Enchanted Isle Assorted Varieties	16-oz. Can	25¢
Green Beans	Town House Reg. or French	16-oz. Can	22¢
Whole Beets	or Sliced Town House	16-oz. Can	20¢
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DISCOUNT PRICES

Cake Mixes	Betty Crocker Assorted	18½-oz. Pkg.	36¢
Cake Mixes	Mrs. Wrights Assorted	18½-oz. Pkg.	27¢
Pillsbury Flour	All Purpose Enriched	10-lb. Bag	$1.16
Kitchen Craft Flour		10-lb. Bag	$1.06
Golden Heart Flour		10-lb. Bag	95¢
Baby Food	Gerbers Strained	Each	11¢
Baby Food	Heinz Strained	Each	10¢
Canned Milk	Darigold Evaporated	13-oz. Can	18¢
Lucerne Canned Milk		13-oz. Can	15¢
U&I Sugar	Pure Fine Granulated	10-lb. Bag	$1.26

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Potato Bread	Skylark Quality	22½-oz. Loaf	37¢
Sandwich Bread	Skylark Fresh	38-oz. Loaf	39¢
Poly Bag Bread	Oven Joy 4	22½-oz. Loaf	$1

FROZEN FOODS

LUCERNE **Ice Cream** Assorted Flavors SUPER SAVER Half Gal. **85¢**

Waffles	Downy Flake	12-oz. Pkg.	47¢
Grape Juice	Welch's	12-oz. Can	44¢
Orange Juice	Bel-air Frozen	16-oz. Can	57¢
Cut Corn	Bel-air Whole Kernel	2-lb. Bag	55¢
Green Peas	Bel-air Frozen	2-lb. Bag	55¢
Vegetables	Bel-air Mixed	2-lb. Bag	59¢
Peas & Carrots	Bel-air Frozen	2-lb. Bag	49¢
French Fries	Bel-air Reg. or Crinkle	2-lb. Bag	47¢
Bel-air Cauliflower		1½-lb. Bag	59¢
Crinkle Cut Carrots	Bel-air	1½-lb. Pkg.	39¢

SWANSON'S **Meat Pies** Assorted Varieties SUPER SAVER 8-oz. Pkg. **26¢**

DISCOUNT Health and Beauty Aids

Scope Mouthwash		24-oz. Btl.	$1.33
Crest Toothpaste		6¼-oz. Tube	79¢
Dial Deodorant	Anti-Perspirant	14-oz. Can	$1.99
Contact Capsules		Pkg. of 10	$1.09
Noxzema Skin Cream		6-oz. Jar	99¢
Baby Shampoo	Johnson's Quality	16-oz. Btl.	$1.87
Baby Powder	Johnson's For Babys	14-oz. Can	97¢
Hair Spray	Truly Fine Assorted	13-oz. Can	49¢
Creme Rinse	Truly Fine	16-oz. Btl.	65¢
Arrid Extra-Dry	Deodorant	9-oz. Can	$1.33
Vaseline Jelly	Petroleum Protects	8-oz. Jar	57¢

MORE SUPER SAVERS

Freshabye	Daytime Disposable	Pkg. of 30	$1.49
Liquid Gold	Scotts for Wood	16-oz. Btl.	$1.79
Airwick Solid		5-oz. Can	69¢

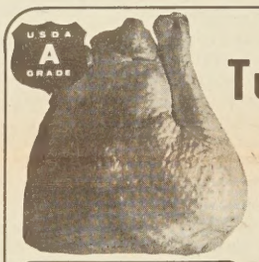
DISCOUNT PRICES

Safeway Coffee	2-lbs. $1.43	1-lb. Bag	79¢
Coffee	Edwards 3-lb. 2.27	2-lb. Can	$1.52
Folgers Coffee	2-lbs. $1.69 3-lbs. $2.53	1-lb. Can	89¢
Shortening	Royal Satin Pure Vegetable	3-lb. Can	87¢
Crisco Shortening		3-lb. Can	95¢
Velkay Shortening		3-lb. Can	77¢
Tide Detergent	For Your Laundry	49-oz. Pkg.	85¢
Fab Detergent	Cleaner Clothes	49-oz. Pkg.	85¢
Detergent	White Magic 84-oz. 99¢	49-oz. Pkg.	65¢
Su Purb Detergent		49-oz. Pkg.	55¢
Cheer Detergent		84-oz. Pkg.	$1.44
Detergent	Cold Power For Clothes	84-oz. Pkg.	$1.44

REFRIGERATED ITEMS

KRAFT **Velveeta** Tasty Cheese Spread SUPER SAVER 2-lb. Pkg. **$1.26**

AA Butter	Darigold Cubed	lb.	79¢
Cheez Whiz	Kraft	8-oz. Jar	57¢
Cheese	Kraft Sliced Natural Swiss	6-oz. Pkg.	51¢
Fresh Milk	Blossom Time Homogenized	Gal. Ctn.	$1.05
Sour 1/2 and 1/2	Lucerne Quality	Pint Ctn.	43¢
Mild Cheddar	Safeway Cheese	lb.	89¢
Swiss Cheese	Safeway Quality	lb.	$1.09



U.S.D.A. GRADE A **Turkey Roast** Frozen, Hindquarters, Stock Up! lb. **25¢**

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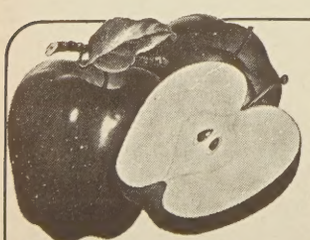
T-Bone Steak U.S.D.A. Choice Beef, Delicious lb. **$1.65**

Fresh Oysters Medium Size Seafood Treat 10-oz. Jar **69¢**

Boneless Steak	U.S.D.A. Choice Beef Chuck	lb.	98¢
N. Y. Steaks	U.S.D.A. Choice Boneless Beef	lb.	$2.49
Top Sirloin	U.S.D.A. Choice Boneless Beef	lb.	$1.97
Lamb Shoulder Steaks		lb.	89¢
Breast of Lamb	U.S.D.A. Choice	lb.	49¢
Sliced Beef Shanks	For Soups	lb.	69¢
Boneless Stew	U.S.D.A. Choice Beef Cubes	lb.	97¢
Sliced Bacon	Safeway No. 1 Fancy	lb.	75¢
Thick Sliced Bacon	Safeway 2-lb. Pkg.		$1.49
Buddigs Beef	or Ham Tasty	3-oz. Pkg.	35¢
Luncheon Meat	Safeway Spiced	8-oz. Pkg.	49¢
Frankfurters	All Beef Safeway	lb.	69¢
Shrimp Meat	Great for Salads	lb.	$2.79
Perch Fillets	or Sole Heat & Serve	lb.	79¢
Cooked Scallops	Heat & Serve	lb.	$1.79

USDA CHOICE U.S.D.A. CHOICE **Leg of Lamb** Family Favorite lb. **99¢**



Delicious Apples Large Extra Fancy Red or Golden lb. **19¢**

Mushrooms	Fancy Brown Variety	lb.	89¢
Fresh Broccoli	Sparkling Fresh Bunches	lb.	29¢
Select Carrots	Crisp Medium Size	2-lb. Bag	39¢
Zucchini Squash	Good So Many Ways	lb.	29¢
Cherry Tomatoes	Full Cup	ea.	29¢
Crisp Radishes	Snappy Fresh Poly Bags	Ea.	10¢
Fresh Rhubarb	Tender New Hot House	lb.	39¢
Moist Prunes	Extra Large Size	lb.	49¢

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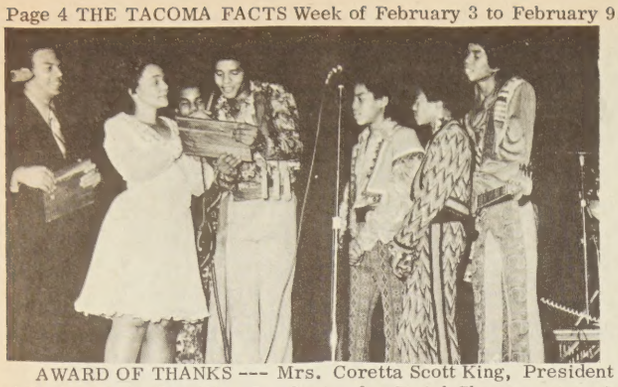


AWARD OF THANKS --- Mrs. Coretta Scott King, President of the Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Social Change, presents Jackie Jackson with an Award of Thanks for The Jackson 5's donation ot their talent to the First Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Commemoration Concert in Atlanta. (l-r) The Reverend Andrew Young, Mrs. King, Tito, Jackie, Marlon, Michael and Jermaine Jackson.

PREACHING WITH PISTOL: Harry Belafonte, as the Preacher in the Columbia Pictures release, "Buck and The Preacher," keeps a pistol handy in a hollowed-out Bible. Sidney Poitier plays the former Union sergeant named Buck in the drama about former slaves home-steading in the West. "Buck and The Preacher," which also stars Ruby Dee & Cameron Mitchell, was filmed entirely on location in Mexico. It was co-produced by E&R Productions and Belafonte Enterprises, with Poitier directing. Screenplay by Ernest Kinoy was based on the story by Kinoy and Drake Walker. The film was produced by Joel Glickman with music by Benny Carter.

Nancy Wilson, popular singer and actress, has been named Easter Seal Goodwill Ambassadress for the 1972 National Easter Seal Campaign, Feb. 28-April 2.

Sickle Cell Disease —Can It Be Controlled?

By JAMES L. CURTIS, M.D.
Associate Dean, Cornell University Medical College, New York City

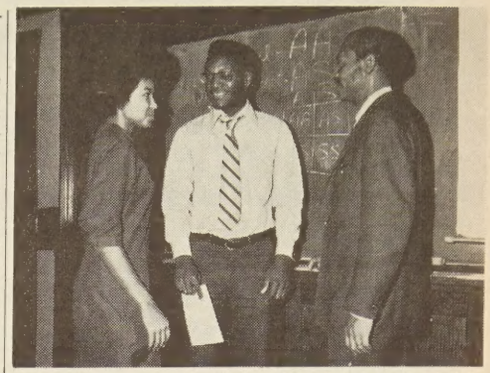
Until the past year, there was little hope for the victims of sickle cell anemia—a hereditary, often fatal blood disorder that affects blacks almost exclusively. Now, thanks to progress in research and new public awareness, effective treatment may be in sight for this serious disease that affects about one in 500 of the black population in the United States.

A major problem in treating sickle cell disease is that it is not always apparent. An individual may have the "trait," that is, he may carry the gene for the disorder, but may never be troubled by it or show symptoms. But if he marries someone who also has the trait, each of their children has a one-in-four chance of having sickle cell anemia. That is why it is so important to identify carriers.

Detecting the trait is a simple procedure. It merely involves taking a blood sample and studying it under a microscope. If a person has the trait, when his blood is deprived of oxygen, elongated or sickle-shaped cells are seen along with the normal, round, red blood cells. This condition is not dangerous in itself—except in rare instances. But when a child inherits the sickling gene from both parents, the result is life-shortening, crippling sickle cell anemia.

Students Screened

Individuals who have the disease may experience "crises" at an early age. In extreme conditions of stress, exercise, or even under anesthesia, some of their red cells sickle, stick together and clog blood vessels, limiting the flow of oxygen carried by the blood to the vital organs. When these body parts are robbed of oxygen, they die, sometimes causing the individual to go lame, suffer violent pain, stroke, or even death by heart attack.



Discussing the Sickle Cell Disease Screening program at Julia Richman High School, New York City, are Cheryl Bliss, and Winston Price, students at Cornell University Medical College and associate dean, Dr. James L. Curtis. The first year of the project is supported by a grant from The National Foundation-March of Dimes.

Recently attention has focused on efforts to detect carriers. In New York City, for example, a unique program recently began at Julia Richman High School. The student body is nearly 75 per cent black.

Supported by a one-year starter grant from The National Foundation-March of Dimes, a group of black medical and nursing students at Cornell University Medical College are administering a screening and education program for the high school students. The Cornell students, who conceived the program, are assisted by some 40 Julia Richman students.

The four-year study is designed not only to identify those who have sickle cell trait, but to offer education and counseling to the young people and their families. Students who carry the trait will learn what their chances are for passing it on to their children. Guidance will include questionnaires over the four-year period, which will serve as a constant reminder to each student. We hope this will equip them to make informed choices when the time comes to marry and have children.

How and why do red blood cells assume their odd, sickle shape, and how can they be prevented from doing so? March of Dimes grantees are investigating these problems at St. Luke's Hospital and The Rockefeller University in New York City.

Promising Research

Dr. John F. Bertles and his group at St. Luke's Hospital in New York are trying to develop a way to detect sickle cell anemia before birth. The group's basic research into sickling may lead to a new and more effective treatment.

At The Rockefeller University, Drs. Peter N. Gillette, Anthony Cerami and James M. Manning are experimenting with a treatment using potassium cyanate. So far, their work shows that the chemical inhibits sickling, but much remains to be achieved before a case is made for cyanate treatment.

These and other reports from research teams may foretell a time when a diagnosis of sickle cell anemia does not mean a foreshortened life or an existence crippled by illness.

Roy Wilkins Not Thinking Of Retirement

By LOUIS BLUE

NEW YORK.—Roy Wilkins, executive director of the N.A.A.C.P., told members of the N.A.A.C.P. at an annual membership meeting here Monday, Jan. 10, that although he has reached the age of 70, he is not thinking of retiring.

After making his annual report to the general membership, during which he reviewed the activities of the national N.A.A.C.P. staff in 1971, Wilkins said, "Just because we are celebrating our 70th birthday, we are 'no ways tired.' "

Wilkins said that in answer to those who continue to needle him by such remarks as "Aren't you tired? Don't you need a rest?," he has this to say: "Yes, I get tired, but I am not ready to take the kind of rest you are talking about. I feel fine. I carry a full schedule and my health is good. I am in no hurry to retire."

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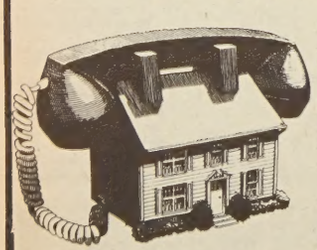

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BLACK HISTORY WEEK, 1972, AT TCC PROMISES TO BE A MEMORABLE EVENT. NATIONALLY KNOWN BLACK POETESS, SONIA SANCHEZ WILL HIGHLIGHT A WEEK OF ENTERTAINMENT AND EDUCATION ON THE TCC CAMPUS AND IN THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY.

MONDAY FEB. 7th

BLACK HISTORY WEEK BEGINS ON MONDAY WITH A SERIES OF SKITS AND SONGS TO BE PRESENTED BY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS FROM THE AREAS FOUR HIGH SCHOOLS. THE PRESENTATION ENTITLED "STRUGGLE AND CONFLICT" WAS TELEVISED RECENTLY ON CHANNEL 62 AND PROMISES TO BE EDUCATIONAL AS WELL AS ENTERTAINING.

TUESDAY FEB. 8th

ON TUESDAY, SEVERAL LOCAL POETS WILL PRESENT THEIR ORIGINAL WORKS. THESE POETS WILL BE SUPPLEMENTED BY STUDENTS FROM TCC WHO WILL BE PERFORMING THEATRICAL INTERPRETATIONS OF THE WORKS OF SEVERAL PROMINENT BLACK WRITERS, INCLUDING MELVIN VAN PEEBLES. PARTICIPATING POETS INCLUDE; OWENS SATTERWHITE (OSAJU), HIS YOUNGER BROTHER EUGENE, AND TAKUMI SHANNON.

ALSO APPEARING ON TUESDAY, WILL BE THE CHUKA DANCERS, AN AFRICAN DANCE TROUPE FROM THE TACOMA COMMUNITY. THE CHUKA DANCERS HAVE RECENTLY APPEARED ON TELEVISION AND ARE A MUST FOR ANY AND ALL BLACK TALENT PROGRAMS.

WEDNESDAY FEB. 9th

WEDNESDAY WILL BRING SISTER SANCHEZ TO THE TCC CAMPUS. SHE APPEARED ON CAMPUS LAST YEAR AND PRESENTED A MEMORABLE AND EDUCATIONAL SERIES OF POETRY AND SOCIAL WISDOM. SHE HAS WRITTEN SEVERAL BOOKS INCLUDING "HOMECOMING" AND "WE A BADDD PEOPLE." MISS SANCHEZ WILL SPEAK IN THE LITTLE THEATRE AT 12 NOON AND AGAIN IN THE COMMUNITY AT THE McCARVER MULTI-PURPOSE CENTER.

THURSDAY FEB. 10

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10, WILL FEATURE BLACK ARTS WEST OF SEATTLE AND THEIR PRESENTATION OF "EL HAJJ MALIK," A PLAY BASED ON THE LIFE OF MALCOLM X. DIRECTED BY DAMON KENYATLA, THE PLAY HAS RECEIVED ACCLAIMED FOR BOTH THE DIRECTING AND THE QUALITY OF THE ACTING. THE PLAY IS PRESENTLY RUNNING AT THE BLACK ARTS/WEST THEATRE IN SEATTLE.

THE PLAY WILL BE PRESENTED AT THE U.P.S. FIELDHOUSE AT 7:30 P.M. ADMISSION WILL BE $1.00 FOR NON-STUDENTS AND $.50 FOR ALL STUDENTS (UP TO AND INCLUDING COLLEGE STUDENTS) WITH A PRESENT STUDENT I.D. CARD.

FRIDAY FEB. 11

BLACK HISTORY WEEK WILL CONCLUDE WITH A SOUL FOOD DINNER AND DANCE. THE DANCE WILL TENTATIVELY FEATURE THE PAUL RICHARDS TRIO. THE PRICE OF THE DINNER WILL BE $1.00 AND WILL FEATURE A MENU INCLUDING CHITLINS, CHICKEN, GREENS, CANDIED YAMS AND ALL OTHER KINDS OF GOOD STUFF.

THROUGHOUT THE WEEK THERE WILL BE AFRICAN AND AFRICAN-AMERICAN ART ON DISPLAY IN BLDG. 15-8, ON THE TCC CAMPUS. ALL ACTIVITIES, WITH EXCEPTION OF SONIA SANCHEZ AND "EL HAJJ MALIK" WILL ALSO BE IN BLDG. 15-8.

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Tickets are now available at the school. Students (through Junior High) - $.50; Single Adults - $1.00; Family of six - $2.50; Family of seven or more $3.50.

Tickets will also be available at the door. There will also be a "bake sale" at this time.

Georgia Twaites
Stanley P. T. A.

AMVETS MEET

The first meeting of the New Year for AMVETS Post #4 was held at the Esquire, January 8, 1972. The members present came up with goals and objectives for the up coming year.

(1) Establish a fund for disadvantaged youth that would cover corrective lens and orthopedic shoes.

(2) Permanent building for AMVETS Post #4.

(3) Increase membership.

All Veterans interested in the above are urged to contact Mr. R. O Laskey, Ma 7-4416.

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The landlord Tenant Bill went to Committee hearing Friday. To me this one of the most important Bills. I at this time feel that it will be watered down to where there won't be any more participation in order to make it better for Low-Income participation in order to make it better for Low-Income peoples.'

One way of doing this is to register and vote. In that we you guide your own destiny. If only the High income fight your battle all you get is the bone.

I was once told nothing comes to a Sleeper but a dream. Wake Up Register & Vote.

by Jerry Carter

COMMUNITY HOUSING SEMINAR

The Tacoma Model Cities Program is presenting a housing seminar on Saturday, Feb. 5, 1972 at Bryant Elementary School which is located at 717 South Grant.

At this workshop we will be dealing with housing in all areas. Some of the specific subjects to be discussed are a neighborhood facility, which is very badly needed in the Model Neighborhood area, the public cooperation which is needed before the housing program can become function.

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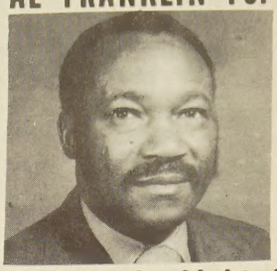

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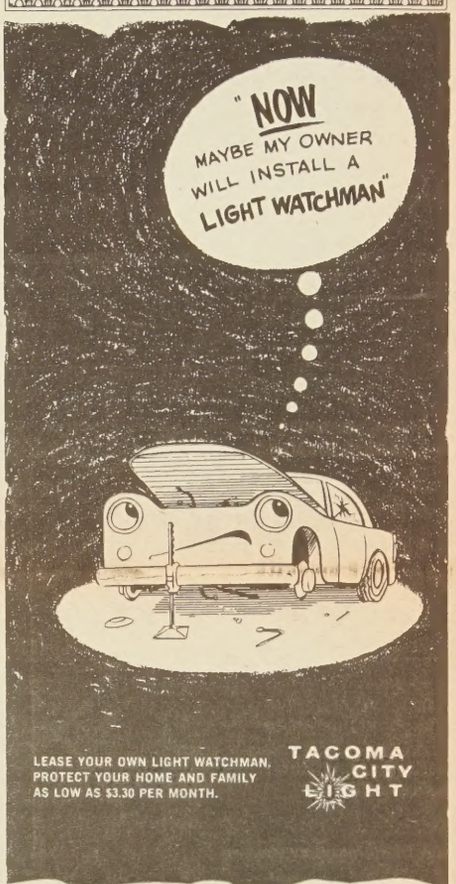

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The IRS has been warning the public since last March, by means of news releases and nationwide television spots, that tax reforms approved by Congress in 1969 could result in "underwithholding" during 1971 for 20 million taxpayers, most of them working married couples.

An IRS spokesman said that "a lot of people got the message" and asked their employers to withhold additional amounts from their paychecks to make up the difference. But an undetermined number of others will find they still owe Uncle Sam for last year, he said.

Filing early will give "underwithheld" taxpayers more time to arrange paymen of taxes due before the April 17 Federal Income Tax deadline.

The spokesman said withholding rates have been revised for 1972 to bring them in line with actual earnings. Single persons earning up to $25,000 a year, and married couples with joint incomes of $31,000 or less, should claim all exemptions to which they are entitled this year, he said.

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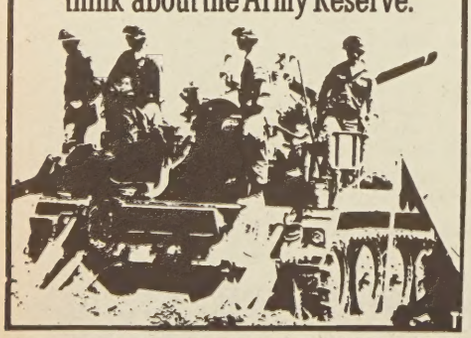

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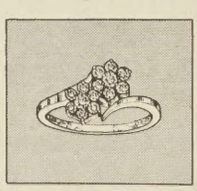

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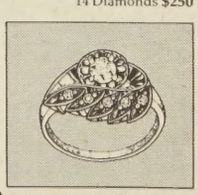

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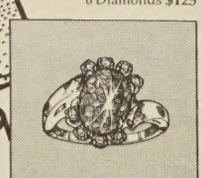

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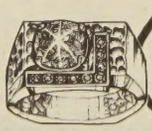

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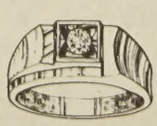

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